

iPads: A Fun Way To Read



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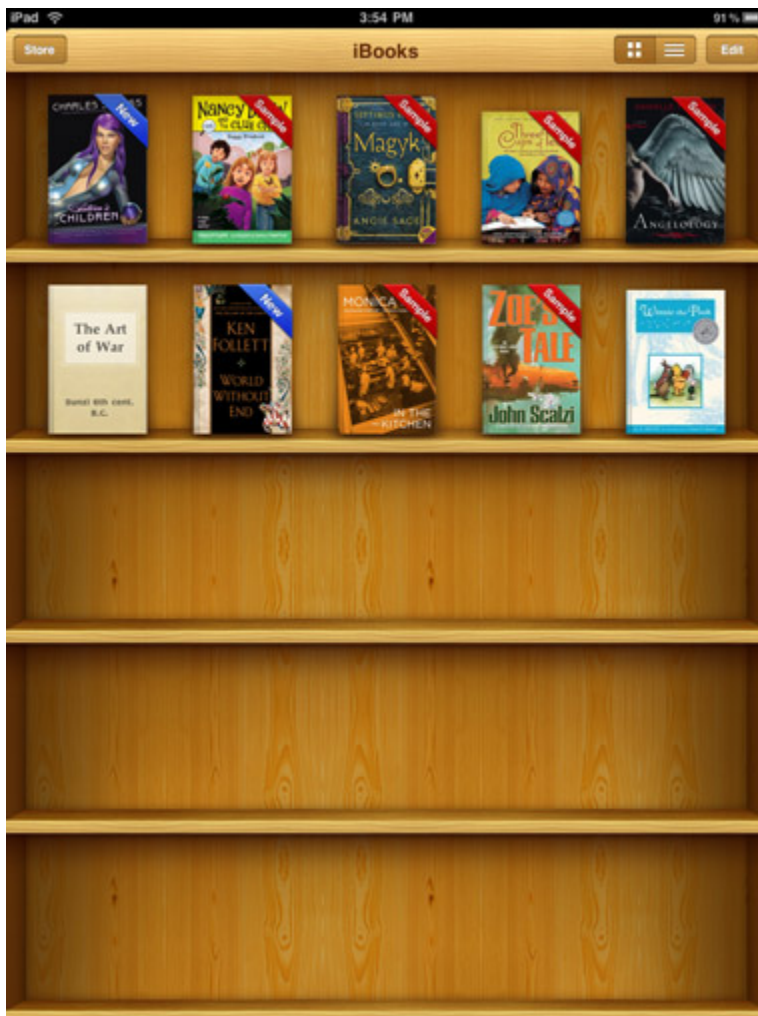
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The **iPad** is a line of tablet computers designed, developed and marketed by Apple primarily as a platform for audio-visual media including books, periodicals, movies, music, games, and web content. Its size and weight falls between those of contemporary smartphones and laptop computers. The iPad runs the same operating system as the iPod Touch and iPhone—and can run its own applications as well as iPhone applications. The iPad is very user friendly and tailors itself to any age group.

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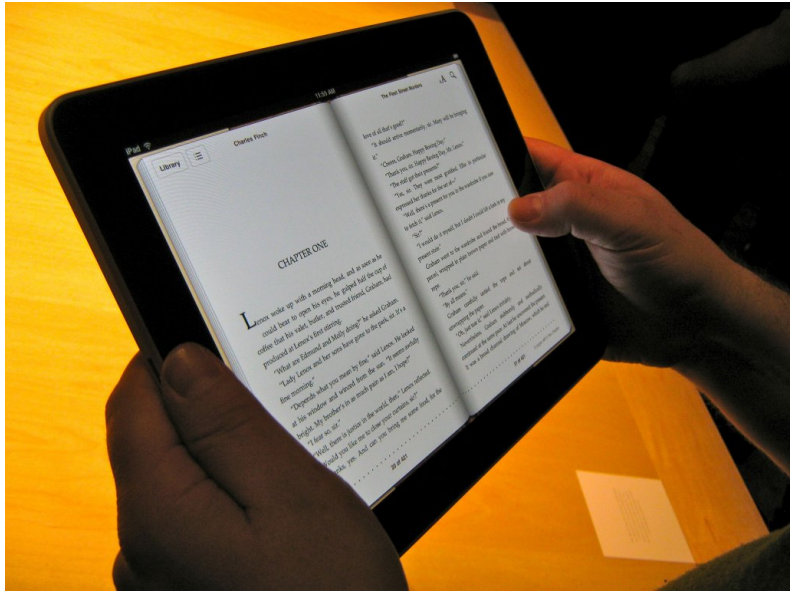
Font Sizes and Types

The iBooks app has 10 different font sizes to choose from. There are 5 options for font type: Baskerville, Cochin, Palatino, Times New Roman, and Verdana.

Highlighting, Bookmarking, and Dictionary

Bookmarks and highlighting are tied together. Press on a word or double tap it to bring up the options bar. Choosing bookmark highlights the word, or you can move the blue circles to expand the highlighted portion. There are five colors for highlighting.

From the options bar you can select dictionary to look up a word. A pop up box appears with the word's definition. Apple's website lists dictionary support for several different languages.



Search Functions

The iPad can search within an ebook for a word or phrase. It can also search for the term on Google and Wikipedia. Clicking on either of those closes iBooks and launches the Safari web browser. Once you return to iBooks it takes you to where you left off.

VoiceOver

The iPad has a voiceover feature that can read aloud the contents on the screen.

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